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Dear Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 13, 2008 (the "Office Action"), Applicants submit the following:

- Amendments to the Claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper and
- Remarks/Arguments, which begin on page 7 of this paper.